



Canadian Veterinary
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**The national and international voice for
Canada's veterinarians, providing leadership
and advocacy for veterinary medicine.**

Canadian Veterinary Medical Association (CVMA) **One Profession. One Strong Voice.**

Whatever and wherever you practice veterinary medicine and wherever you are in your career, the CVMA's advocacy and resources can help make you more successful. This information is to update you on the CVMA's recent activities and resources that benefit our members in New Brunswick and across Canada.

WE OFFER FIRST-CLASS CONTINUING EDUCATION AND NETWORKING OPPORTUNITIES

Join the 2025 CVMA Convention in Victoria, British Columbia | June 25 – 29 | Register Now!

This year's convention promises an array of enriching experiences. Kickstart your journey with the *Opening Ceremony and Awards Gala* on June 25, setting the stage for days filled with learning and networking. Engage in the *CVMA Summit: Access to Care* and the *National Issues Forum: Pathway to a Sustainable Veterinary Profession*, where pivotal topics in veterinary medicine will be explored. Don't miss the *Emerging Leaders Program Workshop*, designed to cultivate the next generation of veterinary leaders. Beyond the sessions, enjoy ample networking opportunities, including a vibrant *Welcome Reception* and *Cocktail Hour*, allowing you to connect with peers and industry partners. Register now and secure your spot for this unparalleled blend of education and comradery in the heart of Victoria. Visit the [Education and Events](#) section of CanadianVeterinarians.net for more information.

WE ADDRESS AND ACT ON NATIONAL VETERINARY ISSUES

Celebrating the Lasting Impact of CVMA Volunteers

As part of National Volunteer Week, the CVMA celebrated the power and impact of volunteerism under the theme *Volunteers Make Waves*. More than 550

dedicated volunteers from across Canada were recognized for their service on CVMA's Executive, Council, committees, and advisory groups. In late March, volunteers gathered in Ottawa for our annual Committee Weekend, where meetings, collaboration, and a special appreciation banquet honoured their contributions. Whether through policy development, media engagement, or leadership on external boards, their collective efforts strengthen the veterinary profession and help shape its future. See a list of our volunteers [here](#).

Government Relations Toolkit

The CVMA has prepared a Government Relations Toolkit for members which includes key messages and relevant statistics, in addition to the three recommendations the CVMA submitted to the government prior to the 2024 and 2025 Federal budgets. The toolkit was updated in advance of the 2025 federal election and is designed to support members in advocating for the veterinary profession, emphasizing the significance to community when meeting with their local Members of Parliament. Visit the [Government Relations](#) page of our website to access the toolkit.

Update: CDC's Proposed Dog Importation Regulations

The Canadian Food Inspection Agency (CFIA) has recently advised the CVMA that while they are maintaining communication with the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, there are no new updates to report at this time. The CFIA remains

dedicated to closely tracking the situation and will promptly inform us of any significant developments as appropriate. The CFIA has expressed appreciation of the CVMA's continued involvement in this important matter, particularly our ongoing collaboration with partners and colleagues across Canada and the U.S. Visit the [Veterinary Resources](#) section of our website for more information.

WE ADVOCATE ON YOUR BEHALF FOR IMPROVEMENTS TO ANIMAL WELFARE

New Position Statement – Unaccredited Zoological Facilities: Risks and Recommendations

The CVMA holds that non-domesticated (wild/'exotic') animals held under human care for any purpose have highly specific physical, mental, and social needs, and their captivity can potentially place them as well as other animals, people, and the environment at risk. The CVMA calls on all Canadians to ensure that zoological facilities they support meet standards set by established accrediting bodies. Animals should only be held in zoological facilities where the benefits of a captive existence are linked to biodiversity conservation, and/or when ongoing dedicated care by experienced caretakers is necessary for the animal's well-being. All facilities holding non-domesticated animals for any purpose should be required to comply with nationally harmonized and widely accepted standards set by recognized animal health, husbandry, and behavioural experts. The CVMA calls on the federal government to promote conservation, biodiversity, and work collaboratively with subject matter experts to protect species.

Revised Position Statement – Electroejaculation of Cattle, Sheep and Goats

The CVMA considers electroejaculation of cattle, sheep, and goats a veterinary procedure due to the potential for adverse animal welfare. Veterinary skills are required to: determine the suitability of the animal for the procedure; ensure appropriate restraint; ensure appropriate selection and operation of the equipment; and monitor the responses of the animal to the procedure in an effort to minimize the stress and potential pain associated with electroejaculation. View all position statements under the [Policy and Outreach](#) section of the CVMA website.

WE PROTECT THE INTEGRITY OF YOUR PROFESSION AND HELP YOU ACHIEVE A BALANCED CAREER AND A SUCCESSFUL LIFE

An Unforgettable First for Canadian Black Youth and Veterinary Medicine – Believe & Belong in Veterinary Medicine

The CVMA was proud to join the Black Veterinary Association of Canada, the Ontario Veterinary College, and the Canadian VIBE Network in Canada's first-ever blendVET and North American Veterinary Community's Pathways event held in Toronto in April. The Believe & Belong in Veterinary Medicine event gave bright, passionate Black youth hands-on experience in shelter medicine, nutrition, and other veterinary specialties. Visit the [Latest News](#) section of our website for more information.

Prioritizing Your Well-Being: CVMA Mental Health Resource Hub

The *CVMA Mental Health Resource Hub* connects you with mental health professionals just a call away through your province's member assistance program or the VetConnect List. You'll also find webinar recordings, workplace mental health resources, and more. Explore the [hub](#) on our website today.

The Working Mind Courses – Fall Registration is Now Open!

The Working Mind (TWM) program addresses workplace mental health issues caused by inherent stresses such as day-to-day workflow pressures, interpersonal relationships, and conflicts, and ethical and moral distress. Employees and Managers who take this training have shown an increase in resiliency skills, a decrease in stigmatizing attitudes, and an increase in mental health well-being. Visit [The Working Mind](#) page of *CanadianVeterinarians.net* to learn more and register.

24/7 Support with Togetherall

The Togetherall platform offers the opportunity to improve mental health by providing and receiving support through a peer-to-peer community supported by integrated services that are safe, anonymous, and overseen by licensed clinicians, who empower members to share their experiences in an inclusive environment. Visit the [Togetherall](#) page of our website for more information and to join.

WE OFFER EXCLUSIVE DISCOUNTS FROM OUR VALUED PARTNERS

Tremblant

Golf season is just around the corner! As a privileged member, [GolfMax](#) tickets are the best way to enjoy summer! With savings of up to 36 per cent and valid at any time during the 2025 season, these tickets allow you to play at Le Diable and Le Géant courses. Get your

golf tickets, which are fully transferable, [here](#). Share them with your family and friends! Contact the [CVMA office](#) to obtain your discount code.

Park’N Fly

With a network that spans coast to coast, Park’N Fly is focused on providing CVMA members with cost-effective parking options while enjoying a park happy experience with every stay. Access your member discount and promo code [here](#) and start saving.

Visit the [Business Management](#) section of the CVMA website to learn more about all CVMA discount offers.

Questions or Suggestions? Contact your CVMA National Office by telephone at 1-800-567-2862, by email at admin@cvma-acmv.org, or contact your contact your New Brunswick Council Representative Dr. Bruno Boutet at 248-909-9849 or brunoboutetdvm@gmail.com.